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SUBJECT: POST-ELECTION PRESIDENTIAL MESSAGE

1. IF THE MAJORITY WINS ON SUNDAY, I ASSUME THE
PRESIDENT WILL PROBABLY WANT TO BE IN TOUCH WITH
GISCARD IN VIEW OF THEIR CLOSE RELATIONSHIP. THERE

ARE CONSTITUTIONAL PROBLEMS, HOWEVER, SINCE GISCARD
HAS TRIED TO PRESERVE HIS PRESIDENTIAL POSITION
ABOVE THE FRAY. THUS, WHILE MAKING CLEAR WHERE HE
STANDS, HE HAS NOT EXPRESSED A SPECIFIC PREFERENCE.
THE MESSAGE SHOULD THEREFORE BE PRIVATE AND CARE-
FULLY WORDED: TO CONGRATULATE GISCARD ON THE SUCCESS-
FUL CARRYING OUT OF THE DEMOCRATIC ELECTORAL PROCESS
(EMPHASIZING THE PROCESS RATHER THAN THE OUTCOME
IN CASE THE MESSAGE BECOMES PUBLIC) AND TO SAY THAT
THE PRESIDENT LOOKS FORWARD TO CLOSE COOPERATION
WITH THE NEW GOVERNMENT WHEN IT IS NAMED. I THINK
IT WOULD BE BETTER NOT TO RELEASE SUCH A STATEMENT
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PUBLICLY, BUT, IF GISCARD WANTS TO RELEASE IT, I
SUPPOSE WE WOULD HAVE NO OBJECTIONS. ALTERNATIVELY,
THE PRESIDENT COULD TELEPHONE GISCARD.

2. IF THE LEFT WINS, NO PRESIDENTIAL MESSAGE IS
CALLED FOR UNTIL THE PRIME MINISTER IS NAMED AND
WE ARE SURE HE IS ACCEPTABLE TO THE NEW PARLIA-

MENTARY MAJORITY (WHICH HAS THE POWER TO CENSURE
HIM).
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